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1. WE OBTAINED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE UPCOMING TRIALS OF HIGH-RANKING ALLENDE GOVERNMENT PERSONALITIES CONFINED ON DAWSON ISLAND, THROUGH CONVERSATION BETWEEN PAO AND CANUT DEBON, PRESS AIDE TO MILITARY GOVERNOR OF VALPARAISO PROVINCE, AT OPENING OF EXPANDED VALPARAISO BINATIONAL CENTER APRIL 11.

2. DEBON STATED TRIALS OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WOULD TAKE PLACE NOT IN APRIL, BUT "BEFORE WINTER", MEANING MAY OR EARLY JUNE IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE. HE SAID TRIALS WOULD BE OPEN, AND THAT THEY WOULD TAKE PLACE SOMEWHERE IN PROVINCE OF VALPARAISO.

3. FOREGOING CONSISTENT WITH OUT EARLIER INFORMATION (REFTEL) THAT HIGH-LEVEL DAWSON ISLAND PRISONERS BEING TRANSFERRED TO QUILPUE, OUTSIDE VINA DEL MAR.

4. INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT SANTIAGO PRESS APRIL 12
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ANNOUNCED GENERAL PINOCHET HAD SENT CABLE TO RED CROSS

IN GENEVA INFORMING IT THAT AUTHORIZATIONS TO ALL NATIONAL
AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES TO VISIT DAWSON ISLAND HAD BEEN
CANCELLED. JUNTA PRESS SPOKESMAN INDICATED ORDER ISSUED
BECAUSE VISITORS HAD DISTORTED AND FALSIFIED WHAT THEY
HAD SEEN, ABUSING CHILEAN HOSPITALITY.

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